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Application Number	10/749,107
Filing Date	December 29, 2003
First Named Inventor	GIFFORD et al.
Group Art Unit	3763
Examiner Name	Unassigned
Attorney Docket Number	001-004-C1

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**ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)**☒ Fee Transmittal Form☐ Fee Attached☒ Amendment / Response☐ After Final☐ Affidavits/declaration(s)☒ Extension of Time Request☐ Express Abandonment Request☐ Information Disclosure Statement☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)☐ Response to Missing Parts/  
Incomplete Application☒ Response to Missing  
Parts under 37 CFR  
1.52 or 1.53☐ Assignment Papers  
(for an Application)☐ Drawings☐ Licensing-related Papers☐ Petition Routing Slip (PTO/SB/69)  
and accompanying Petition☐ Petition to Convert to a  
Provisional Application☐ Power of Attorney, Revocation  
Change of Correspondence  
Address☐ Terminal Disclaimer☐ Small Entity Statement☐ Request for Refund☐ After Allowance Communication  
to Group☐ Appeal Communication to Board  
of Appeals and interferences☐ Appeal Communication to Group  
(Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)☐ Proprietary Information☐ Status Letter☒ Additional Enclosure(s)  
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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
for FY 2004**

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 514**Complete if Known**

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The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

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to the above-identified deposit account.**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	385
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

**SUBTOTAL (1)**

(\$ 385)

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

		Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid
Total Claims						
21	- 21 =	1	X 9			9
Independent Claims		**				
Multiple Dependent			X			9

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

**SUBTOTAL (2)**

(\$ 9)

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**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	65
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	55
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid **SUBTOTAL (3)**

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**SUBMITTED BY****Complete (if applicable)**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : GIFFORD et al. Art Unit : 3763  
Serial No. : 10/749,107 Examiner : Unassigned  
Filed : December 29, 2003  
Title : METHODS AND DEVICES FOR PROTECTING A PASSAGEWAY IN A BODY  
WHEN ADVANCING DEVICES THROUGH THE PASSAGEWAY

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) mailed April 13, 2004 (copy enclosed), applicant as a small entity submits herewith the following:

- ☒ Payment of the basic filing fee of \$385;
- ☒ Payment of the additional/multiple dependent claims fees of \$9; and
- ☒ Payment of the surcharge of \$65 for late filing of the basic filing fee and/or declaration;

It is understood that this perfects the application and no additional papers or filing fees are required. Please apply the above fees and any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 50-1247.

Respectfully submitted,

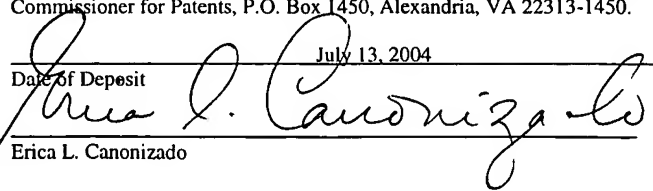
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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

07/20/2004 HDEMESS1 00000047 501247 10749107

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

01 FC:2001 385.00 DA  
 02 FC:2202 9.00 DA  
 03 FC:2051 65.00 DA

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of **\$180** as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:


Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$630** for a Small Entity

- **\$385** Statutory basic filing fee.
- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$180**
  - **\$180** for **20** total claims over 20.

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